

# THE *Lotte Senya* COMPETITION SONGBOOK

## “Loser Dumplings” from *Interstate*

*Music and lyrics by Melissa Li, Additional lyrics by Kit Yan*

DASH

I WANNA TRY  
I WANNA TRY THIS ON MY OWN  
I DIDN'T MIND  
I DIDN'T MIND BEING ALONE  
TILL THE DAY SHE CHANGED MY LIFE

IT WAS THAT ONE DAY  
A CHILLY SUNDAY  
LAST YEAR'S POETRY SLAM  
I'D MADE IT TO THE FINALS  
MADE IT ALL THE WAY TO THE END  
MY PALMS WERE SWEATING  
MY HEART WAS DREADING  
ADRIAN WAS MY NUMBER ONE FAN  
SHE WATCHED ME LOSE THE TITLE  
TO ANOTHER WHITE GUY AGAIN

BY JUST TWO POINTS  
BY TWO POINTS I LOST

SHE SAID, “BOY, I GOT YOU COVERED  
DON'T YOU WORRY  
DON'T BE SAD”  
SHE SMILED AT ME, TOOK OUT A BAG  
AND I SAID, “WHAT THE HELL IS THAT?”

SHE SAID  
“LOSER DUMPLINGS  
DUMPLINGS ONLY LOSERS GET”  
DISAPPOINTMENT AND REGRET  
NEVER TASTED SO GOOD  
EACH ONE MADE WITH LOVE BY HAND  
AND NOW I UNDERSTAND  
THAT THE THING ABOUT WINNING  
IS NOT IF I DID

BUT THAT SOMEONE BELIEVED I COULD

SHE ALWAYS PUSHED ME  
SAW WHAT I COULD BE  
BELIEVED THAT I COULD BE GREAT  
SHE KNEW THAT I COULD CREATE  
POEMS THAT COULD CHANGE THE WORLD  
ADRIAN KNEW THIS  
SAID I COULD DO THIS  
HER VOICE A GIFT AND MY GUIDE  
WITH HER HAND IN MINE  
THE LOOK IN HER EYES  
SHOWED NOTHING BUT LOVE

BY JUST TWO POINTS  
JUST TWO POINTS AWAY  
I LOST TWO POINTS  
BUT LOOK WHAT I GAINED

SHE SAID, "THANK GOD YOU DIDN'T WIN IT  
OR THIS WHOLE THING COULD HAVE BEEN TOSSED  
BECAUSE THIS GIRL MADE THEM SPECIAL  
FOR THE BOY WHO LOST"

SHE MADE ME  
LOSER DUMPLINGS  
DUMPLINGS ONLY LOSERS GET  
DISAPPOINTMENT AND REGRET  
NEVER TASTED SO GOOD  
EACH ONE MADE WITH LOVE BY HAND  
AND NOW I UNDERSTAND  
THAT THE THING ABOUT WINNING  
IS NOT IF I DID  
BUT THAT SOMEONE BELIEVED

AND I'M REALIZING IT NOW  
I'VE BEEN SUCH A FOOL  
AND I'M REALIZING IT NOW  
WHAT YOU HAVE MEANT TO ME  
SOMETIMES WE DON'T NOTICE THE DAYS PASSING BY  
AND I SEE YOUR FACE IN A DIFFERENT LIGHT  
I KNOW I LOVE YOU  
I REALLY LOVED YOU  
THIS WHOLE TIME

LOSER DUMPLINGS

DUMPLINGS ONLY LOSERS GET  
IF I DON'T TELL YOU I'D REGRET  
NOT SAYING A WORD  
TO BE YOUR MAN I'LL TAKE A CHANCE  
CUZ NOW I UNDERSTAND  
THAT THE THING ABOUT WINNING  
IS NOT IF I DID  
BUT THAT ONE GIRL BELIEVED I COULD